

*State* means one of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

*State Employment Security Agency (SESA)* means the State agency designated under section 4 of the Wagner-Peyser Act to cooperate with USES in the operation of the national system of public employment offices.

*Strike* means a labor dispute wherein employees engage in a concerted stoppage of work (including stoppage by reason of the expiration of a collective-bargaining agreement) or engage in any concerted slowdown or other concerted interruption of operation.

*United States Employment Service (USES)* means the agency of the Department of Labor, established under the Wagner-Peyser Act, which is charged with administering the national system of public employment offices.

*Wage rate* means the remuneration (exclusive of fringe benefits) to be paid, stated in terms of amount per hour, day, month or year (see definition of "Required Wage Rate").

**§ 655.720 Addresses of Department of Labor regional offices.**

Region I (Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont): One Congress Street 10th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02114-2023. Telephone: 617-565-4446.

Region II (New York, New Jersey, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands): 201 Varick Street, Room 755, New York, New York 10014. Telephone: 212-337-2186.

Region III (Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia): 3535 Market St., Post Office Box 8796, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19101. Telephone: 215-596-6363.

Region IV (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee): 1371 Peachtree Street, NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30309. Telephone: 404-347-3938.

Region V (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin): 230 South Dearborn Street, Room 605, Chicago, Illinois 60604. Telephone: 312-353-1550.

Region VI (Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas): 525

Griffin Street, Room 311, Dallas, Texas 75202. Telephone: 214-767-4989.

Region VII (Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska): 1100 Main, Rm. 1050, Kansas City, Missouri 64105. Telephone: 816-426-3796.

Region VIII (Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming): 1999 Broadway, Rm. 1780, Denver, Colorado 80202. Telephone: 303-391-5742.

Region IX (Arizona, California, Guam, Hawaii, and Nevada): 71 Stevenson Street, Room 805, San Francisco, California 94105. Telephone: 415-744-7618.

Region X (Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington): 1111 Third Avenue, Suite 900, Seattle, Washington 98101-3212. Telephone: 206-553-7700.

**§ 655.730 Labor condition application.**

(a) *Who must submit labor condition applications?* An employer, or the employer's authorized agent or representative, which meets the definition of employer set forth in § 655.715 of this part and intends to employ an H-1B non-immigrant in a specialty occupation or as a fashion model of distinguished merit and ability shall submit a labor condition application to DOL. Attorneys and agents submitting applications on an employer's behalf shall submit, also, a completed INS Form G-28.

(b) *Where and when should a labor condition application be submitted?* A labor condition application shall be submitted, by U.S. mail, private carrier, or facsimile transmission, to the ETA regional office shown in § 655.720 of this part in whose geographic area of jurisdiction the H-1B nonimmigrant will be employed no earlier than six months before the beginning date of the period of intended employment shown on the LCA. It is the employer's responsibility to ensure that a complete and accurate application is received by the appropriate regional office of ETA. Incomplete or obviously inaccurate applications will not be certified. The regional office shall process all applications sequentially upon receipt regardless of the method used by the employer to submit the application and shall make a determination to certify or not certify the labor condition application within 7 working days of the date the